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W. G. Black qualified as treasurer and took charge of the office Monday.

John Swire was over from Bloomfield Saturday. He reports stock doing well.

The day that passes without a deal or two in San Juan county real estate is hard to find.

McCoy and Rathjen are putting in a splendid stock of furniture. Read their ad in this issue.

Robt. C. Prewitt the Farmington insurance man is spending a few days in town this week.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Mert Stewart of Flora Vista is recovering from her recent illness.

Geo. K. Griffin and Geo. L. Cooper of Farmington passed up the road Sunday on their way to Durango.

If you want a chair, bed, pair of springs or a whole house-keeping outfit McCoy & Rathjen can suit you.

Wm. Butler and J. M. Palmer of Farmington were up Monday to attend to business and see the new officials work.

W. A. Collins and Iley N. Selph, of the San Juan were in town Thursday trading with Aztec merchants and attending to other business.

Col. Williams continues to take in load after load of goods at the back door and the people load them out at the front just about as fast.

The infant child of Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Bain died Wednesday evening and was buried in the Aztec cemetery. The Index extends sympathy.

Juan B. Valdez, who has made one of San Juan county's best probate judges was in Monday winding up his term and turning over to judge Garcia.

The town was full of people Monday attending commissioners meeting, paying taxes, buying goods from our merchants and shaking hands and renewing acquaintances.

Bob Morrison of Bayfield, Colo., who is feeding cattle at Flora Vista, was an Aztec visitor the fore part of this week. Dick Crouch came along to show him the sights.

Charles V. Safford seems to be in the lead for chief clerk in the coming territorial legislature. Charles has all the qualifications, capable, energetic and courteous to all—he will make a model chief clerk.

Judge Pendleton leaves for Santa Fe Sunday to assume his duties as representative from this county in the territorial legislature. He can be counted on to see that San Juan county's interests are carefully looked after.

George Allen and Kit Carson, of the Farmington section were in town Saturday. George, to close up a deal with sheriff Eisner on some San Juan county earth, and Kit, to see the new court house and both to shake hands with the "boys".

A close association with Dar J. McCaffrey for a number of years gave us insight into his many sterling qualities; his virtues were his own, and it is with pain we chronicle his sudden death at Mercy hospital, Durango, on last Saturday morning.

Genial Jim Goodwin was in town Tuesday from his Flora Vista ranch and reports his brother, George, as quite poorly. We hope George will pull along without serious illness, as we have a mighty kindly feeling for those Flora Vista people.

Thomas Cook of Durango, spent several days visiting this section and has about concluded to invest in a San Juan county tract of land. Tom has been pulling a Rio Grande train for a long time and we would be pleased to see him one of us.

John Luther, who owns one of those excellent Flora Vista ranches is down to spend the winter and visit with his sister who recently came out from Indiana seeking health. John had not seen his sister for some 18 years and the meeting was a happy one.

Geo. L. Cooper was a passenger on the down stage Tuesday bound for his home at Farmington. Mr. Cooper has been in poor health for some time and with his family will leave for California next Monday for a six months stay. The best wishes of The Index goes with him and his excellent family.

Seven prisoners escaped from the Berardillo county jail on the night of December 31. They were John Dougherty, J. R. McDaniel, William Nolan, John Nordquist, Joseph Cowell, Ed. Walker, and Charley Mason. \$25 reward is offered for the arrest of each. They are said to be a tough lot. Our officers look out for them.

"Uriah Stoddard, plaintiff, vs. Lucy J. Harris, defendant." Is the title of an interesting Breach of Promise case to be tried next Friday evening before his Honor Judge John Green, of the inferior court of San Juan county. E. G. Berry attorney for the plaintiff, M. B. Scott attorney for the defendant. A small admission fee will be charged for the benefit of the church organ fund for the Baptist church.

Miss Perle Pendleton left Monday for Durango, where she will remain until the 14th inst, attending the marriage of her sister, Olive, after which she will go to Denver and from there to Santa Fe where she will remain with her father, Judge Pendleton, member of the Territorial Legislature from this county, during the winter. Miss Perle is a great favorite here and will be greatly missed by her friends until her return.

We extend to Charles Naeglin of Durango, our heart-felt sympathy in the death of his wife. We have known Mr. and Mrs. Naeglin for more than 20 years and during all that time have known them to be of the salt of the earth.

Besides her husband Mrs. Naeglin leaves two daughters, one just entering the first bloom of womanhood, the other too small to realize the bitter cup of mother's death can rightly sympathize with others who have.

The Death of James A. Robin.

On New Year's day James A. Robin disappeared from Silverton, Colo., and when he failed to return his friends became alarmed and instituted a search for him, finding on trace of the missing man until Saturday about noon, when the crew on the Durango-Silverton freight train discovered his body at the water tank some three miles below Silverton; He had shot himself in the head, with a .41 colts revolver which caused instant death.

The Bank of Silverton, of which the dead man was president and principal owner, was closed to avoid a "run" and the affairs of the bank are now in the hands of Thomas Annear, as receiver, and a committee at work on the books to ascertain the bank's condition. Some reports say the bank will pay 50 per cent, while others say it will pay depositors in full. While it is deplorable that many poor people had trusted their small savings with the bank and may lose, yet let us not forget Mr. Robin spent the money helping make San Juan county, Colorado.

Card of Thanks.

We hereby wish to express our thanks to all who so kindly assisted us and showed their sympathy during our time of sickness and bereavement. May God Our Heavenly Father richly bless all of you. Your humble servants, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bain

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